

Valley Falls, May 8/64

Dear William.

88 L. B. Anthony, E. C. Stanton,  
have issued a call for a Convention  
of Women in N. Y. next week  
to approve the nomination of  
Lincoln & promote that of Fremont  
or Butler. This object is not specified  
in the ~~letter~~ call but in a separate  
letter I have just seen. This has  
been in contemplation there.  
I should judge, sometime. We  
worry about Lincoln, personal  
approbation, & his James is being  
widely circulated. I should judge  
by the letter I have just seen  
from Mrs Stanton.

I am sorry such a conver-  
tion is to be held. I hope if the  
question of Candidates is brought  
into our A. Stacey meeting, it  
may be allowed to come from  
the opponents of Lincolnton. I  
mean with. The whole strength  
of the Society's meetings, might  
be directed ~~against~~ to procure



Abolition & Prohibition by  
Congressional & Constitutional  
Law.

I'm crossing the common last  
week to go to the Depot. I met  
an old A. Slavery friend of long  
standing, who abruptly addressed  
me thus —

"I did not ~~before~~ think you  
were so darned stupid as to  
favor the repeal of Section."

I walked on without reply  
except to say: "I was willing to be  
reputed darned stupid for truth  
& justice." It is sad to see the  
spirit of bitterness & injustice that is  
entering into & controlling the whole  
being of some of our old Abolitionists.  
God grant that we may stand firm  
to the effort to crush the Rebels & re-  
turn the world against another such  
a war in the future.

The Chorus are all well. Elizabeth  
is one of the South's true Queens. Fear  
little who is president, provided Abolition  
& Prohibition be secured. But, there secured,  
the reconstruction of the Republic & the security  
& protection of rights to the freed men, will be  
long & a gigantic work. I am determined  
that no words or acts of mine shall hinder  
the former, or the latter. The Social & Indus-  
trial fabric of the entire South is well be  
said in ruins. Slave labor must die. It will  
take long to organize & establish Free Labor.  
but it will be done. All send love,  
W. L. Garrison. Henry Wright